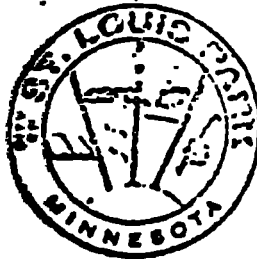




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MEMORANDUM

Memo for File

DATE February 27, 1970

FROM Harvey J. McPhee

SUBJECT Reilly Chemical and Tar

The City Manager and the Sanitarian met with Mr. Herb Finch at noon on February 27, 1970, to discuss his plans to meet air and water pollution requirements.

Mr. Finch said that he was now prepared to spend a great deal of time on these matters and felt that he could meet the requirements especially after having given the problems some study. He was asked if he could remain competitive after having spent this money. Mr. Finch said it seemed that we were forcing him out of the City. We explained that this wasn't said, but we wanted to know if the owners were really prepared to make the necessary improvements. Mr. Finch said there were other operations like this across the country and their products were needed by other industries, and it was their decision to proceed with all necessary changes.

The matter of the Louisiana Avenue extension, south through their property was discussed. Mr. Finch was asked if the plant could operate without a railroad spur since the present extension shows the elimination of this spur. Mr. Finch said the operation could not continue without railroad service. No one could state whether or not the extension could be moved to eliminate the necessity of removing the spur.

We were concerned with the expenditure of money in view of the Louisiana Avenue extension problem. The Manager said he would immediately appraise the Council of the problem, and a meeting would then be arranged with Mr. Finch and his other personnel and the City Council. In the meantime planning for water and air pollution control would continue.

cc: City Manager

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